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LAC LA BICHE COUNTY POLICY

TITLE: HIRING OUTSIDE EQUIPMENT RESOURCES - FIRE POLICY NO: CM-23-006

RESOLUTION:10.007

EFFECTIVE DATE: JANUARY 12, 2018

LEAD ROLE: MANAGER, PROTECTIVE SERVICES

NEXT REVIEW DATE: JANUARY 12, 2019

SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS REFERENCE: PS-009

AMENDMENT DATE:

POLICY STATEMENT:

Lac La Biche County recognizes the need to hire additional privately-owned equipment in order to control an incident and/or fire hazard. Lac La Biche County believes that it is prudent to acquire private fire protection services or public safety services in order to complement Lac La Biche County's Protective Services resources in circumstances where public safety or property is in danger of being jeopardized.

"Original Signed"

Mayor

March 9, 2018



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SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS REFERENCE:
CM-23-006 Hiring Outside Equipment Resources - Fire

AMENDMENT DATE:

PROCEDURE:

1. The District Fire Chief or designate will assess the situation and determine the needs to address the fire hazard in a timely and cost effective manner.

Definitions:

- a. Incidents: Means a fire, a situation where a fire or explosion is imminent, a motor vehicle accident or any other situation presenting a danger or possible danger to life or property and to which the fire department has responded.
 - b. Fire hazard: Means a situation, which threatens the life or property with injury or destruction by fire, including all fire aspects like heat, smoke, health issues, ignition sources, dangerous situations and the potential of danger to the public.
2. The District Fire Chief or designate shall make all reasonable attempts to consult with the landowner, if time is available, to explain the reasons for bringing in additional equipment to control the fire hazard or incident.
 3. In the case of a structural/building incident, the District Fire Chief or designate is empowered to cause a building, structure or object to be pulled down, demolished or otherwise removed if he/she deems it necessary to prevent the spread of fire to other buildings, structures or objects. If this action requires the firing of additional equipment, the District Fire Chief, or designate, has the right to hire the equipment and carry out the necessary action. As practical, following the hiring of equipment, the District Fire Chief or designate shall notify the Manager of Protective Services/Regional Fire Chief of the action taken.
 4. In the case of non-structural incident, the District Fire Chief or designate, has the authority to hire a maximum of 3 pieces of equipment, which may include any combination of cast and water trucks, excluding trucking of the said equipment, without prior authorization from Lac La Biche County's Senior Manager of Public Works. Following the hiring of equipment, the District Fire Chief or designate shall notify the Manager of Protective Services/Regional Fire Chief of the action taken.

5. If the incident requires further equipment to be hired or requires assistance through the services provided by a Mutual Aid Agreement, The District Fire Chief, or designate will contact the Manager of Protective Services/Regional Fire Chief immediately to discuss the situation and possible action to be taken.
6. In large scale incidents, the Manager of Protective Services/Regional Fire Chief or designate shall take the responsibilities and role of member in charge, and the District Fire Chief will assist in addressing the situation. The member in charge has the authority to hire any and all necessary equipment in order to address the situation in a timely and cost effective manner.
7. The Manager of Protective Services/Regional Fire Chief or designate has the authority to invoke Mutual Aid Agreements and the conditions therein to respond to an incident.
8. All hired equipment shall be reimbursed at the current Alberta Road Builders Rate.
9. Refer to Policy #CM-23-001, CM-23-002 Lac La Biche County Fire District Standard Operating Procedures, and Standard Operating Guidelines for implementation of equipment resources.
10. All equipment for wildfire mitigation requested from Agriculture and Forestry must be ordered through the Manager of Protective Services/Regional Fire Chief or designate.
11. Following an incident where hired equipment was used, the District Fire Chief or designate shall prepare a detailed report for the Manager of Protective Services/Regional Fire chief or designate with the following details:
 - i. Circumstances of incident (standard incident report).
 - ii. Equipment hired with specifications including name, address, phone number, description of equipment, and hours used.

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Chief Administrative Officer

March 7, 2018